

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/564,923  
Applicant : Willem Van FAASSEN  
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Title : LINK FOR THE CONNECTION OF RODS OF A CONVEYER  
BELT SPIRALLY WOUND AROUND A DRIVEN DRUM,  
CONVEYER BELT AND CONVEYING SYSTEM WITH SUCH  
CONNECTIVE LINKS  
Group Art Unit : 3651 Confirmation No. : 2318  
Examiner : Not Assigned Customer No. : 28289

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), together with a completed Form PTO/SB/08a. The cited U.S. patents are not enclosed pursuant to the waiver of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(i) for U.S. national patent applications filed June 30, 2003.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being submitted electronically to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 24, 2007.

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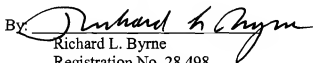
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The above-referenced application is the United States national phase of PCT Application No. PCT/EP2004/007304. The International Search Report (ISR) in the PCT application cites U.S. Patent No. 5,954,187 and EP 0488702 listed on Form PTO/SB/08a. A copy of the ISR is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. It is noted that the prior art references identified in the ISR and listed on Form PTO/SB/08a are both category A or state of the art references. It is believed that pending claims 6-11, which are substantially similar to the PCT claims, are in condition for allowance.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), no fee is believed to be due for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, as it is being submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Nevertheless, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650.

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